

Springerville Town Council  
Minutes  
January 16, 2008

Council: Kay Dyson Mayor, Mary Nedrow Vice Mayor, Eric Baca, Pete Hunt and Phelps Wilkins

Staff: Steve West Interim Manager, Val Cordova Town Clerk, Larisa Bogardus Community Dev. and Tom Malone Public Works Dir.

Public: Dana Overson EDAC, Karalea Kowren NPC, Kevin Burk, Ronald Cavanaugh, Kathy Gummere, Penny Pugh Office of Congressman Renzi, Jennifer Prochnow, Keli Sine-Shields, Lori Holland, Cierra Manley, James Womack and Terri Neff.

1. The meeting was called to order by Mayor Dyson at 6:00 p.m. with a quorum.
2. The Pledge of Allegiance was led by Vice Mayor Nedrow, Invocation by Councilman Hunt.
3. Public Participation:

A Certification of Appreciation was presented to Gracie Becker for her outstanding valuable contribution in allowing the town to house the Casa Malpais Museum in her building on Main Street for many years. Mayor Dyson expressed gratitude and thanked Ms. Becker on behalf of the town.

Penny Pugh with Congressman's Renzi's office announced that even though budgets are tight but they are still doing appropriations submissions and if there is anything that could be handled in one submission she encouraged us to do so. She asked that we get it to her by the second week in February.

4. Manager, Council and Chamber Reports:

Jennifer Prochnow Chamber Director reported that they had three major spotlights in the Arizona Highways magazine and the Arizona Republic had an article in the January 6<sup>th</sup> edition. She also reported she has been busy preparing for the move to town hall.

Mayor Dyson reported that the hospital is having a public meeting on January 21<sup>st</sup> regarding the conversion to a Critical Access Hospital.

The Arizona Lottery is having a luncheon in St. Johns regarding the special projects that benefit Springerville. She congratulated the public works crew for winning Best Theme in the Christmas Parade. She also attended a presentation by Governor Napolitano regarding the State budget.

Interim Manager West reported that the biggest thing going on is the switch with Casa and the chamber move. He commended Tom's crew for exceptional job they are doing in meeting the drop dead date for completion of the building and move. He met with the hospital today and they have hired a grants person to find money for the hospital.

5. Consent Agenda:

a. Minutes: Consideration of approval of the minutes of January 2, 2008.

Mary Nedrow/Eric Baca motion to approve consent item 5a.

Vote:	Ayes:	Kay Dyson
		Mary Nedrow
		Eric Baca
		Pete Hunt
		Phelps Wilkins

6. Ordinance 2008-001: First reading and discussion regarding ordinance #2008-001 amending chapter 17.28.190 "Storage" of the Springerville Municipal Code.

Ms. Bogardus stated that this hasn't changed from the last meeting other than a paragraph stipulating that they will not be allowed in residential areas for any reason.

First reading: An ordinance of the Town of Springerville, Arizona, amending chapter 17.28.190 "Storage" of the Springerville Municipal Code and establishing and effective date, by Mayor Dyson.

7. Ordinance 2008-002: Second reading and discussion regarding ordinance #2008-002, amending Chapter 17.28.070 "Walls and Fences" of the Springerville Municipal Code.

Second reading: An ordinance of the Town of Springerville, Arizona, amending chapter 17.28.070 Walls and Fences" of the Springerville Municipal Code and establishing and effective date read by Mayor Dyson. She explained that this ordinance changes the height requirement so that people don't have to purchase custom made fences.

Phelps Wilkins/Mary Nedrow motion to approve ordinance 2008-002 amending Title 17.28.070(A) "Walls and Fences"

Vote:	Ayes:	Kay Dyson
		Mary Nedrow
		Eric Baca
		Pete Hunt
		Phelps Wilkins

8. Commercial Zoning: Discussion and action regarding a request by Ron Thebeau regarding changes made to commercial zoning concerning storage rentals on commercial land.

Mr. Thebeau explained that he owns a coffee shop on the west end with two acres of land and wants to be able to put storage unit rentals on it. He asked why it was illegal for him to be able to use this land to do so.

Ms. Bogardus explained that he was referring to storage units like Termain Storage. Mini storage was addressed about two years ago when they made revisions to the industrial zoning classes. Previously there were not provisions for mini storage anywhere in town and made provisions in the light industrial and industrial zones. There were existing non-conforming businesses that were allowed to remain. Both businesses went through an existing non-conforming use conditional use process to expand the storage units. Discussions took place for allowing them in a commercial area but the planning and zoning commission voted against allowing them.

Mr. Thebeau was asked if he had gone through the planning and zoning process for this business venture for his property.

Mr. Thebeau stated that he had talked to Larisa but had not gone through planning and zoning agenda for this issue.

9. Public Records Policy Revision: Discussion and action regarding amending the Town of Springerville public records policy to reference the town fee schedule.

The town clerk explained that all references to fees were removed from the policy adopted in 2003 and referenced them in the fee schedule. Commercial rates were changed from hourly fees to a flat rate in the fee schedule.

Pete Hunt/Eric Baca motion to amend the Town of Springerville Public Records policy.

Vote: Ayes: Kay Dyson  
Mary Nedrow  
Eric Baca  
Pete Hunt  
Phelps Wilkins

10. Resolution #2008-R001: Discussion and action regarding amending the fee schedule to include fees for commercial copying, engine pre-heats and misc. sewer fees.

Phelps Wilkins/Eric Baca motion to adopt resolution 2008-Roo1 amending the municipal fee schedule.

Vote: Ayes: Kay Dyson  
Mary Nedrow  
Eric Baca  
Pete Hunt  
Phelps Wilkins

11. Economic Development Apache County: Presentation by Dana Overson EDAC and Karalea Kowren NPA regarding education for Critical Workforce project for Southern Apache County, and requesting a letter of support for EDA grant funding.

The Power Point presentation by Ms. Overson and Ms. Kowren was to explain the need in Southern Apache County for critical workforce needs. This includes training facilities, and programs that will enhance business and industry clusters as well and develop employer driven education and training to fill the employment gaps that will be left by the baby boomers. They explained that there is a serious lack of skilled workers to fill the vacancies that will be left. They are looking to renovate existing buildings or construct new ones to accommodate training. They are applying for EDA grant through NACOG and the regional process. They want to incorporate more partnerships to fit the needs of the types of industries of our communities. They approached several entities to partner with and are asking for support from the town of Springerville in the form of a letter of support. Ms. Overson assured the council that there would not be any monetary costs associated with this support but may require some in-kind in the future.

12. Town of Springerville 60<sup>th</sup> Anniversary: Discussion and action proclaiming 2008 the Diamond Anniversary of the Town's incorporation.

Mayor Dyson read a proclamation commemorating the 60<sup>th</sup> anniversary of Springerville. She said she would like to have ideas from the public and the staff. She suggested having an open house to showcase our new renovations like the police department, Casa Museum the airport, and possible planting 60 trees in the community.

Mr. West said they would like to have community involvement and ideas and said we would wait until the weather warms up to do this.

Pete Hunt/Mary Nedrow motion to accept the proclamation of the Town of Springerville recognizing our 60<sup>th</sup> Anniversary as a community.

Vote: Ayes: Kay Dyson  
Mary Nedrow  
Eric Baca  
Pete Hunt  
Phelps Wilkins

13. White Mountain Weigh-Down Challenge: Discussion and action regarding a Community Wellness Fitness program.

Mayor Dyson explained that Dr. Hamblin started a weight loss program to promote fitness and wellness in the community. She said that Apache County is having a weigh down challenge and encouraged staff and the public to participate as a team.

14. Pseudoephedrine Ordinance: Discussion and action regarding establishing an ordinance relating to the sale of pseudoephedrine products.

Mayor Dyson said two sample ordinances have been included in the packets for the council to review noting that forty-eight cities and towns in Arizona have already adopted an ordinance for control of pseudoephedrine products. She proposed writing an ordinance to this have an effect on and be the first in Apache County to pass an ordinance. She encouraged the council to back the formation of this type of ordinance.

Legal counsel was asked to draft an ordinance that is specific to our needs and our officers can use on a daily basis for the next meeting. Mr. Shaffery said he would write an ordinance so it can be effective immediately.

Mr. West said we are looking not only for having people sign them out but for people that are buying these products in multiple or on a daily basis. An effort will be made to contact the stores that sell these products.

15. Adjournment:

Mary Nedrow/Pete Hunt motion to adjourn the meeting at 7:13p.m.

Vote:	Ayes:	Kay Dyson
		Mary Nedrow
		Eric Baca
		Pete Hunt
		Phelps Wilkins

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Kay Dyson, Mayor

ATTEST:

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Town Clerk

I hereby certify that the foregoing is a true and correct copy of the minutes of the Springerville Town Council in regular session on Wednesday January 16, 2008. I further certify that the meeting was duly called and a quorum was present.

Dated this 18<sup>th</sup> day of January 2008

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Town Clerk